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Situation Report

Hurricane Katrina Support

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The State of Missouri continues coordination with federal, state, local and non-profit agencies to provide support to relief efforts for people in areas adversely impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

The following actions have been taken by state agencies on behalf of Hurricane Katrina victims over the last 12 hours:

- Missouri state agencies, the City of St. Louis, the American Red Cross, and other non-governmental organizations are continuing to make preparations at Lambert International Airport to open a temporary shelter for temporarily displaced persons.
- Numerous federal, state, local officials, as well as volunteer organizations are organizing and preparing for reception and care of the arrival of the temporary displaced persons at Lambert International Airport. Key organizations include: FEMA, SEMA, Department of Health and Senior Services, Department of Mental Health-Social Services, Missouri Air National Guard, American Red Cross, City of St. Louis and Lambert St. Louis International Airport. Command and control, medical needs, dormitory space and security are several issues being worked out.
- In addition, the 131st Flight Wing is preparing to support a St. Louis City request for support of temporary displaced persons mass care & sheltering. The 131st will be able to help with set up and provide some IT support, Administrative Transportation, security personnel and some sleeping bags. Cots, food service and showers are not available from the 131st.
- Governor Blunt also has requested the President of the United States to declare an emergency for the State of Missouri as a result of the FEMA request to assist in the relocation of disaster victims from those states impacted by Hurricane Katrina to Missouri. 44 CFR 206.35.
- The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) directed a hold in movement of City of New Orleans evacuations for 24 hours. Currently FEMA indicates that all citizens have been evacuated from the City of New Orleans.

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There may be a need to relocate more evacuees from Texas. SEMA is continuing to plan for a reception center in the City of St Louis. SEMA sent notification to Missouri's Emergency Management Directors.

- St. Louis County is establishing a Regional Assistance Center. Various county
 offices are involved in the establishment of the center as well as the American Red
 Cross and Salvation Army.
- Requests for local and county law enforcement for Louisiana Sheriff Task Force has currently been filled for EMAC requests.

Department of Health and Senior Services Operation Show-Me Care Update

For additional information, contact DHSS at 1-800-392-0272

Boeing Site (Lambert International Airport) prepared for reception of displaced persons

- DHSS staff in St Louis (onsite)
 - Julie Eckstein (Director), Bruce Clements (CERT Director), Angela Ford, Mark Buxton, Martha Shea, and Brian Quinn (PIO)
- Medical Supplies
 - Medical Supplies have been delivered from Branson and Kansas City
 - DHSS working with local Wal-Mart to make available over the counter medical supplies and baby cribs at the site in St Louis
 - Working with BJC and Cardinal Health to ensure adequate medical supplies. A request will be sent to SEMA regarding cost of these supplies and approval for purchase.
- Immunizations
 - DHSS is working with Local Public Health Agencies (LPHAs) to ensure that CDC's recommendations are followed for immunizing volunteers and displaced persons coming into the area.
- Public Information
 - Joint Information Center (JIC) has been established at the Boeing Center (Lambert International Airport)
 - o Daily news briefings will be held at the JIC at 10:00 AM and 3:00PM.

Volunteer Medical Personnel

- BJC is coordinating physicians, physician assistants and nurses to assess displaced persons coming into the St Louis site.
- DHSS is coordinating backup volunteer medical staff for the long term.
- A health assessment form was provided to all LPHAs and will be on site in St Louis.
- DHSS is taking calls from licensed medical professionals who are willing to volunteer. A registration form has been placed on the DHSS website and calls are being taken through the DSR hotline (800-392-0272).

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Other Shelters/Reception Centers

 Kansas City has opened a reception center and is expecting 500 evacuees; public health nurses are on call.

 Springfield is opening a service center; hundreds have already arrived and more to come.

Health Advisory (9/5/05) on recommendations for Local Public Health Agencies who will be contacted on health related concerns by displaced persons.

Will be distributed today to all Local Public Health Agencies

Reports (being investigated; not confirmed at present)

• Cape Girardeau may be receiving three hundred persons

Mental Health

- The Department of Mental Health is coordinating with Renee Ludwigs, who is on site (St Louis), and coordinating with the Behavioral Health Response Agency. There are 40 licensed mental health professionals that are ready to be activated.
- Other options are being explored to include para-professionals, ministers and chaplains.
- DMH is also working through NOVA (National Organization for Victims Assistance) to provide additional support.